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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## Regional elections offices open this weekend for Early, Absentee In-Person and Special Needs Voting

NOVEMBER 2, 2018 JUNEAU, AK- Want to vote early and receive a fun new sticker? State of Alaska Division of Elections (DOE) regional offices will be open this weekend for Early, Absentee In-Person and Special Needs voting. Offices will be open on Saturday, November 3 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday, November 4 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. DOE reminds Alaskans that 'Fall back' to Standard Time also happens on Sunday.

The division has a limited supply of these fun new characters available in English, Spanish, Tagalog and Alaska Native languages: Alutiiq, Aleut, Koyukon, Gwich'in, Northern Inupiaq, Nunivak Cup'ig and Yup'ik.

While the stickers were originally only distributed to early voting locations, due to their overwhelming popularity, the supplies have been redistributed statewide.

"Exercising your right to vote should be a positive experience, so we want to share these sticker options with as many voters as we can before we run out," said State Elections Director Josie Bahnke. "Our goal is to not have any of these unique characters leftover after the election."

The standard blue and gold Big Dipper stickers are available once the specialty voting stickers are gone or for anyone who chooses this option instead.

Polls will be open for the November 6, 2018 General Election from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

DOE reminds eligible Alaska voters that state elections are conducted under a poll-based system with early and absentee voting opportunities. Anyone who needs assistance finding their polling location should visit the division's <u>website</u> or call the Telephone Polling Place Locator number(s):

Outside Anchorage: 1-888-383-8683 or Within the Municipality of Anchorage: 907-269-8683

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